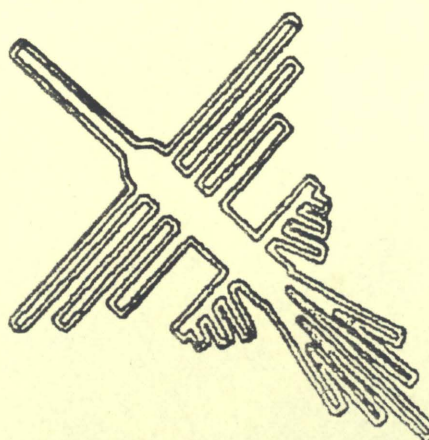
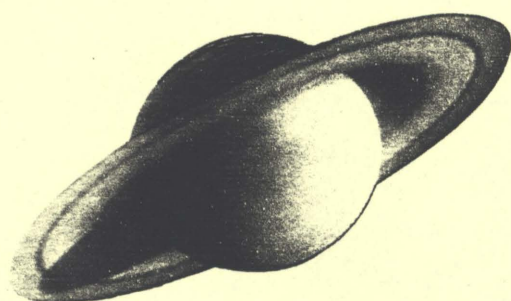
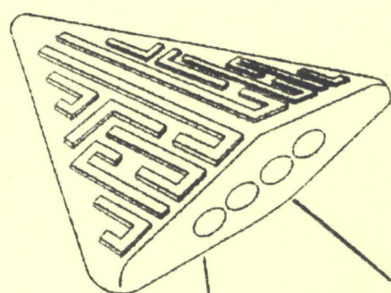


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A BUMPER ISSUE THIS MONTH

This issue contains a collection of unique features and includes an excellent full page colour picture of 'The Landing At Valensole' by David Sankey, a gifted computer graphics artist who has recently joined our ranks.

The Valensole incident took place in 1965 and not everyone may be familiar with the facts. This article, together with the picture will give readers a good idea of what occurred on that fateful day.

Our thanks also go to Colin Saunders who was the subject of a close encounter with an 'FT' - 'Flying Triangle' on the 31st March 1999. Colin has supplied us with a four page colour feature, recounting his experience and also discussing the features seen in other 'FT' encounters. This is his personal insight into his feelings at the time of the encounter and the subsequent events that followed.

Colin Saunders and your Editor recently met a Senior member of the British Airport Authority based in Southern England. The meeting was held to discuss the implications of unidentified Triangular Craft (whether they are extraterrestrial or Stealth) flying in the UK airspace. The combined investigation is on-going and will also cover other FT sightings world-wide.

Finally we are proud to draw attention to the most excellent PRA website that has been created for us by 'Dan' in recent weeks. This has entailed many hours of hard work by our colleague and we are most grateful for the end result, although I understand that there are still one or two 'tweaks' to be made to bring it to perfection.

Take a look at - <http://www.phenomenonresearch.com>

The Future of 'The OVNI Journal'

The production of our journal continues to be run on a 'shoestring' and we have amortised a great many increased costs, including three postal rate rises, since we first published the OVNI over twelve years ago.

The basic membership fee and that of the OVNI has remained unchanged and if we wish to continue, even in our present form, then there must be an increase in the annual membership fee as from the 1st October this year. As yet, the exact amount is undecided, but it is likely to be a rise of at least 20%.

Many UFO magazines have come and gone since our group and the OVNI began in July 1991. This even included one of the all time greats, the 'UFO Magazine', with the unfortunate death of its editor Graham Birdsall. However we have persevered with keeping members informed of local UFO activity and the UFO scene in general. Our thanks go to a number of behind the scenes members who have kept us up to date with news and the latest UFO video products from around the world.

Without doubt there have been a number of UFO 'disclosures' over the years, sensationalised by the National Press, but you can bet your bottom dollar that you read it in the OVNI first!

We have spread our wings somewhat since the early 90's and we now have readers and contributors in Belgium, France, Germany, Sweden, Canada, the USA, Australia, New Zealand and India.

We will look forward to continuing to inform our members of the latest UFO news, locally and worldwide.

Your Editor: Omar Fowler

A NEW ARTISTIC COLLEAGUE JOINS THE PRA

We are fortunate in having a new colleague join our ranks. David Sankey is a gifted computer graphic artist and an example of his work can be seen on the opposite page. David has kindly allowed us to reproduce his interpretation of the alien landing at Valensole, France. The report of this incident is given below.

The Valensole Case, 1965

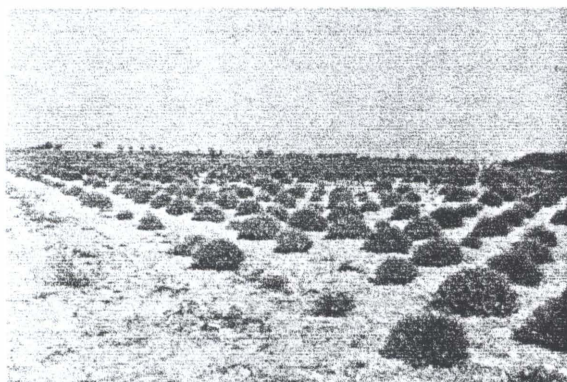
At about 5.45 a.m. on 1 July, farmer Maurice Masse was in his lavender field in France, near Valensole, when he heard a strange whistling sound. He was working in the field behind a pile of stones and stepping out from behind them, he saw an object shaped like a rugby football with a cupola on top, about the size of a Renault Dauphine car. The craft was standing on six legs, with a central pivot and from where he stood, he could see through an open doorway. He noticed that there appeared to be two seats, back to back inside the craft.

Monsieur Masse first thought that the object was an experimental helicopter or craft of some kind, but he was then surprised when he next noticed what he took to be two eight-year-old boys bending over his lavender plants. He thought at first that they might be stealing his lavender as some had recently gone missing from his field. He later described the 'boys' as being less than four feet tall and clad in fairly dark grey-green one-piece suits. When the 'boys' noticed Msr. Masse approaching them they straightened up, and one of them pointed some kind of a 'tube' at the farmer which then immobilized him.

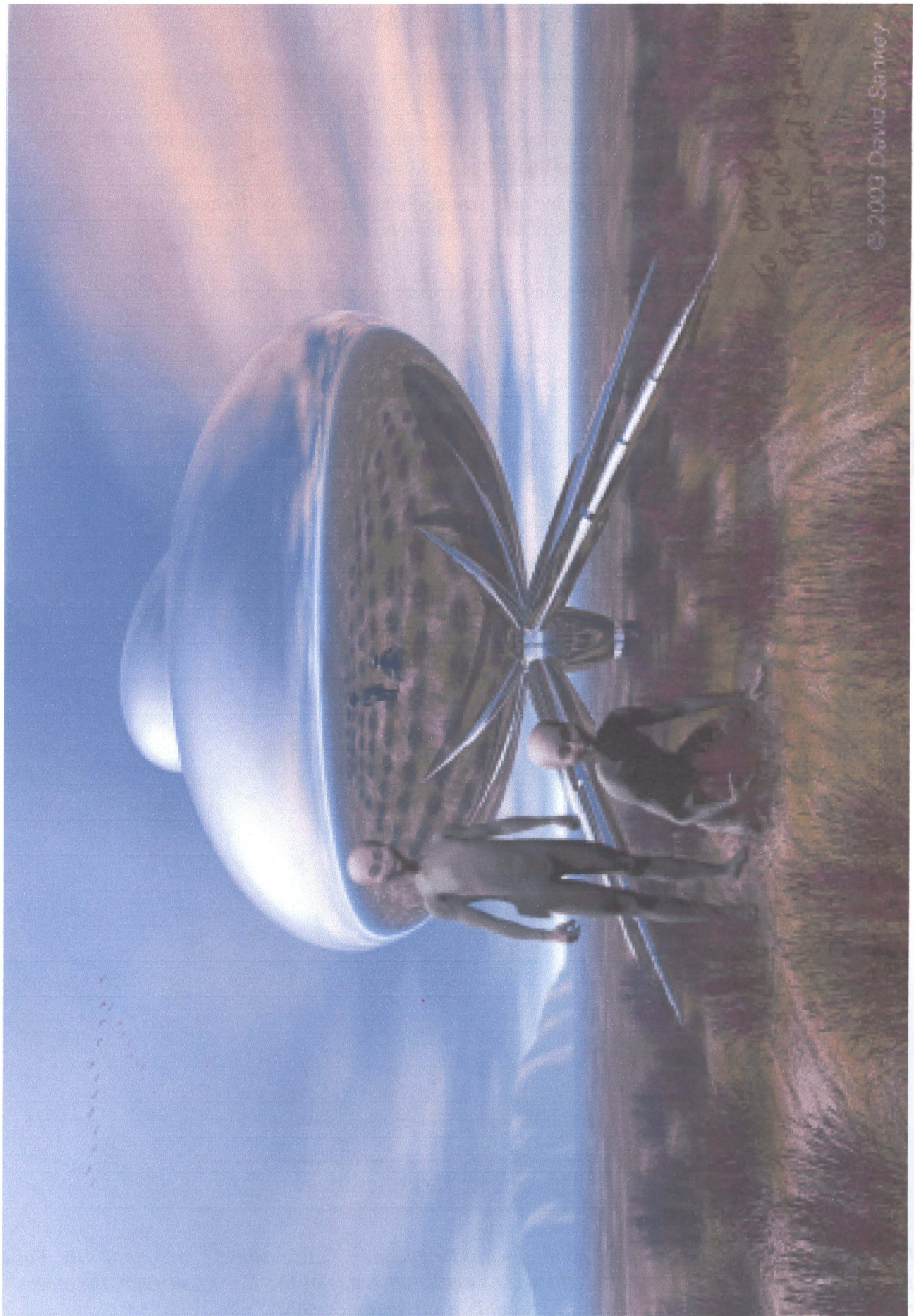
Maurice Masse stood there, unable to move but with his senses still functioning. He noticed that the two 'boys' had large hairless heads, smooth white skin, high fleshy cheeks and large eyes that slanted upwards. They had pointed chins and mouths without any apparent lips. They seemed to communicate with each other by making strange gurgling sounds that seemed to come from deep within their throats. "They were looking at me and must have been making fun of me," said Maurice Masse in an unofficial statement he later related to Maitre Chautard, a local magistrate. "Nevertheless their facial expressions were not ill-natured, but very much the reverse." Masse said that in fact he felt a great sense of peace exuding from the beings.

Still unable to move Maurice watched as after a short time the humanoids returned to their craft and entered it through a sliding effects door. The legs of the craft whirled and retracted, as it slowly lifted off the ground and the machine took off. It was a quarter of an hour before Maurice Masse recovered his mobility. Four days after the incident Masse suddenly collapsed, seized with an irresistible urge to sleep. He would have slept on for twenty-four hours had not his wife and father woken him up. Masse found he needed at least ten or twelve hours sleep instead of his usual six or seven and this kept up for a period of several months.

The ground where the craft had rested was soaked with moisture, although it had not been raining and investigators found strange, geometrically spaced landing indentations in the soil, apparently from the legs of the craft. The case became even more remarkable when as the months went by, no lavender plants would grow at the landing site. (see photo taken six years later by a SIGAP member). It was some ten years after the event before the lavender began to recover and grow again.



Landing site in foreground



The Landing At Valensole

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Google Map Mystery

18-May-2005

The Google Maps satellite map of Magnolia Park, Florida shows a clear view of an unusual object floating above 39th Street in the town.

The shadow on the object is similar to the shadows on the ground, meaning that it is in the atmosphere relatively close to the surface, probably no higher than 20,000 feet.

There are no towers or unusual objects in the area that could account for the formation, which appears to be in rapid vibrational movement. Because of the unusual motion visible on its surface, it is not likely that this is a balloon.

Without knowing its distance from the ground, it is impossible to determine the size of the object, but it would seem to be quite large, even huge.

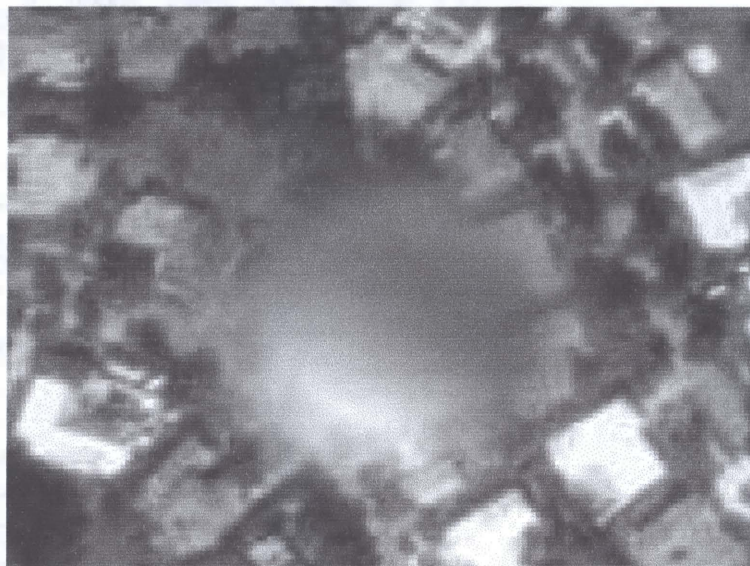
Calls to individuals living in the area and a search of news sources for 2005 revealed no reports of UFOs over Palm Beach or Magnolia Park this year. The last National UFO Reporting Center report for Palm Beach was in 1999.

This is a confirmed unknown object in the air above a populated area in the United States, recorded sometime in 2005.

Image: Google Satellite Imaging
Tensuns says:

I have no idea what this is. I can't find anything similar on any google map referenced sites. It doesn't show up on terraserver and I live nearby so I know there are no towers in that area. It has the same shadow as ground objects and when you zoom out it appears to be too small to be something really close to the satellite.

Well we're completely stumped. Any clues anyone?



The Google Satellite Image

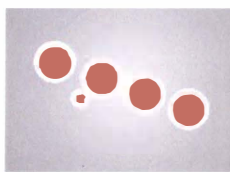
Editors Comment: During a conversation with Dr. Jacques Vallee some years ago, Dr. Vallee expressed his surprise that in spite of the wide satellite coverage of the Earth's surface, there was so far no evidence of unidentified craft being caught on surveying cameras.

TRIANGULAR PERPESPECTIVES *By Colin Saunders*

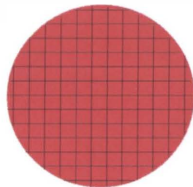
Six years ago my family and I had a close encounter with a Flying Triangle, since that experience I have done much reading and research into the subject of UFO s. This document is my personal observations and theories about the enigmatic FT, this is how it all began.

31st March 1999, we had been out for a bar meal to a small village called Pailton in the Warwickshire countryside. There were four of us in the car that night, at approximately 9.30 pm we left the White Lion public house and headed home. We turned onto the Fosse Way near the village of Monks Kirby and immediately noticed some bright lights ahead of us. The lights were mile away and just off the road to the left. The lights appeared as deep red, like a Rose red with a bit of white mingled in.

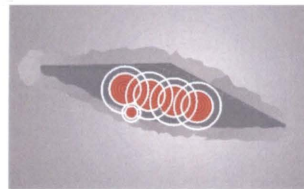
We drove down parallel to the lights which I now estimate as being only 100 feet away! We had slowed right down by this point. I stared at the four lights which were in a row, but not level with the ground, I would say they were tilted at approx. 25% to the horizon. I stared into the light on the far left, this light was the highest side of the tilt with the far right light being the anchor point for the 25% angle. It was at this moment I also noticed a fifth smaller spurious light off to the left hand side (Pic.1).



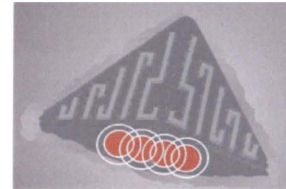
Pic.1



Pic.2



Pic.3

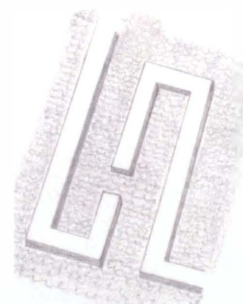


Pic.4

As I stared into the end light I could see a criss cross of lines a bit like a traffic light lens (Pic.2), it seemed to pulse very rapidly in a digital fashion, i.e. on off not up and down. As I was looking at this light and then the lights in general I noticed a shape start to appear around them, the edges looked like the sky was rippling but they and the body were, I believe, were transparent at that time (Pic.3). I could see the shape of a diamond around the lights, you needed a keen eye to make out this shape as you could see the sky through it. As soon as I had realised there was an object there it tilted slowly upwards in a most peculiar fashion, like an airship or submarine, the object was now solid and fully materialised in a triangular shape. The tilt was not from the centre of the craft but from the rear, i.e. the rear end stayed where it was and the nose rose in the air (Pic.4). It was so low that if it had pivoted from the centre of the craft the rear would have struck the ground! I noticed the surface looked to be alive, it was like a lake of dark grey liquid similar to Mercury, the liquid although tilted quite steeply looked as though it had waves running up and down the surface, like ripples on a lake in a breeze. On top of this lake were silver lines running up and down the surface, they were like box sections raised off the surface which interlocked like an old fashioned maze (Pic.5 & 6)



Pic.5



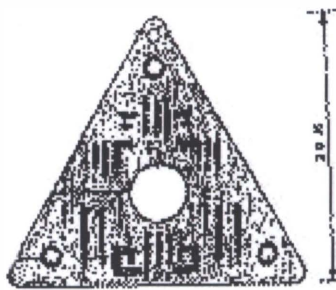
Pic.6

I could see how the crafts top and bottom surfaces joined to a lighter central core, like a sandwich. No nuts and bolts, rivets or welding seams visible. There were no apertures, no antennas or protrusions of any kind. It was immediately obvious to me this was not an earthly object.

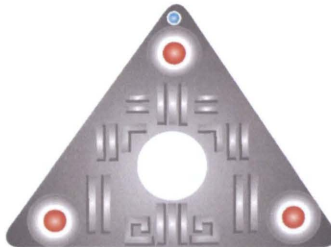
I was shouting stop, stop, let me out (I wanted to get even closer!) but the driver pulled slightly forward to enable her to reverse into a gateway off the main road. The result of this was that a large hedge momentarily blocked our view of the craft. I thought to myself if it's going to clear off now would be a good time and sure enough it did!

We got out of the car and it was gone. We could see a large craft in the distance with strange red lights at the rear, it seemed enormous to me with a huge wingspan, at the end of each wing was a steady white light shining up along the top surface. It was very, very quiet as we stood there, no smells of any fuel having been burnt. During the incident we never heard a single noise from the craft which was the size of a house hovering by the car. As we stood there traffic started to come up and down the road for the first time, no one else was involved. We checked our watches in case there had been any missing time, it was 9.50pm so that was ruled out.

The next day was April fools day but this did not deter me from telling everyone I met about the UFO we had seen. I phoned the late Graham Birdsall at the UFO magazine who put me in touch with Omar Fowler, the respected Flying Triangle investigator. Having spoken to Omar we wrote our witness reports and sent drawings of the craft to him before he sent through copies of *The Flying Triangle*. To my great surprise there was a report of a Triangle from Stockis in Belgium from 1993 which clearly showed the same lines in relief on the bottom of the craft (Pic.7). Surely this was the same or similar series of craft? The coincidence was too great for me so I reproduced the bottom drawing of the craft (Pic.8) and used the Belgium sighting along with my own sighting of the rear and top to produce a scale model of the craft, complete with flashing lights. I could not understand the diamond shape that I had seen and instinctively built the model with a flat bottom (Pic.9).



Pic.7



Pic.8



Pic.9

I gained quite a lot of information from this model, the first and most enlightening observation was that when you look at the rear of the craft and tip the nose down you end up with a silhouette of a diamond! (Pic.10) this would explain picture No. 3 above, the spurious small light in fact being the light underneath the nose at the front of the craft. I have referred to lights but they were not lights per se, they did not emit light to the ground. The colour shown on the drawings is primary red but from _ mile away they appeared deep rose red, I do not believe they changed colour but more likely the colour varied with the focal point distance. The lines on the surface of the lights could have been generated from the light source itself, something along the lines of Newton's law of ring interference? I have seen a similar effect myself with a laser pen. Once the craft had disappeared there was no degradation left in the eyes, perfect vision.



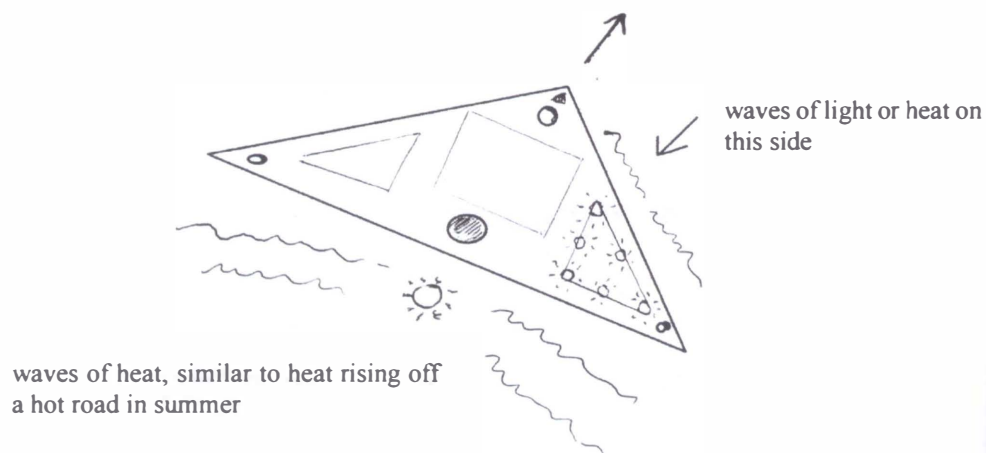
Pic.10

The next obvious conclusion was why the triangle appears as different geometric shapes to different people, I believe our triangle was equilateral, however this depends on the aspect you are looking from at the time (Pic.11).



Pic.11 photo John Hanson

I have wondered about the lines in relief on the surface of the triangle and their possible purpose, they do not appear to be aerodynamic but we are not dealing with a conventional craft behaving to our known laws of physics. Although the crafts surface was shimmering like liquid mercury, the solid lines on top displayed no distortion at all. This would rule out the effect of heat or electromagnetic distortion. You can see that the pattern I have shown varies between my first drawing and the model, this is because I cannot recall the exact configuration, however the quantity and layout appears in the correct ratio as in Pic.5. One theory that came to me was that these raised lines could be used for docking to a larger ship (I now believe the large craft we saw in the distance was a mother ship that the smaller craft returned to). This possible docking technique may be confirmed by an article I read in Omar Fowlers journal of March/April 2002. A sighting was made near Titsey, Surrey by a Mr Herbert who stated he saw a large triangle about 200 yards wide and underneath he could see smaller objects attached (Pic.12). The only problem I have with this theory is what are the raised lines underneath the craft (Pic.7 & 8) used for? Maybe smaller triangles sometimes dock together?

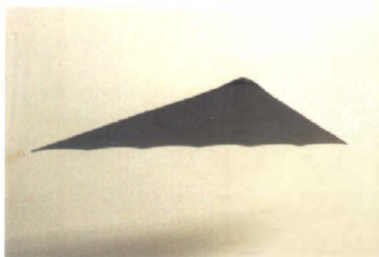


Pic.12 Mr Herbert s drawing courtesy Omar Fowler

The last six years have been very interesting for me, I have given several presentations to different groups as well as appearing on television a couple of times with my model. The result of this is many people have come forward to tell me of their own experiences, ordinary people who are not involved in the UFO world. I have also been encouraged by a 99.9% acceptance of our experience by everyone I have spoken too. Building the model helped me to understand and to come to terms with our close encounter, others have been through the same experience and below is a couple of examples of other peoples handy work.

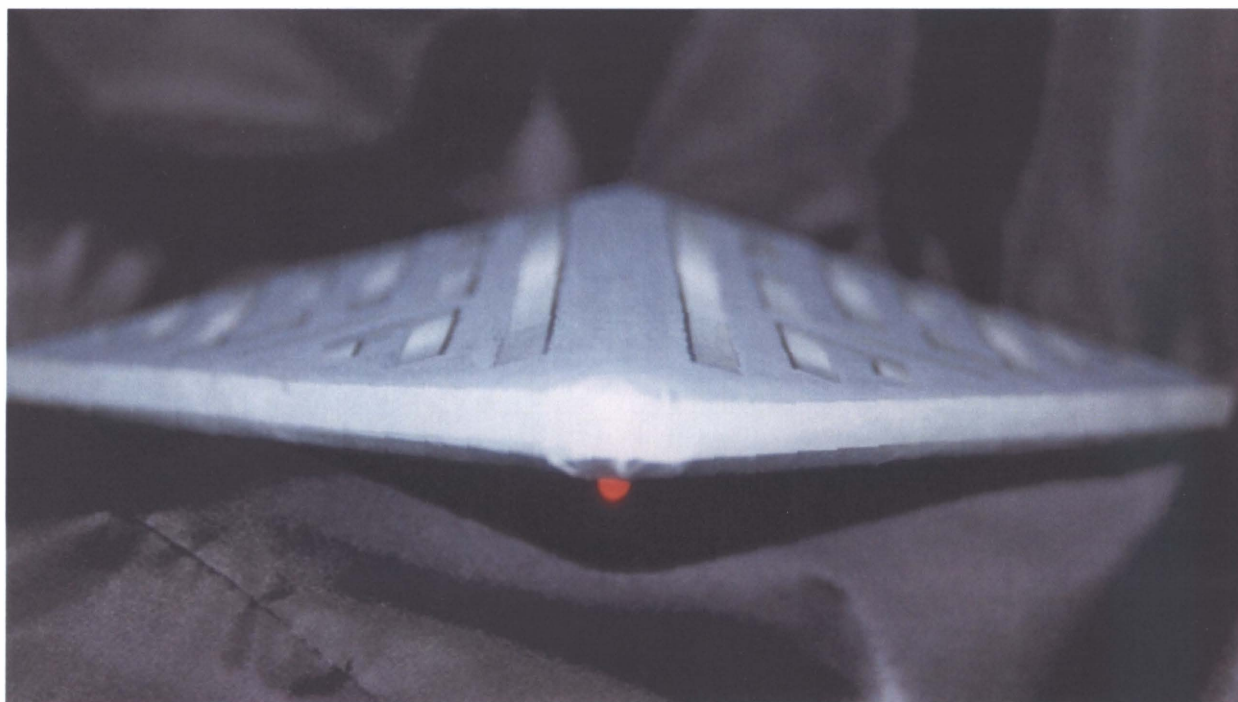


Pic.13 Bonsall Moor, Derbyshire
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Pic.14 Model maker Jean-Marie Van der Hoop, Belgium

And finally when is a triangle not a triangle, when it s a flying saucer! Yes believe it or not the last picture for your consideration is a front end shot of my triangular model (Pic.15)



Pic.15 photo John Hanson

Conclusion. I have spent 30 years being a trained observer of electro mechanical installations and transferring these images into legible technical drawings. I have been involved with many projects worldwide and notably several years spent in the aircraft industry, I have received praise on the clarity and accuracy of my drawings on more than one occasion. I have absolutely no doubt in my mind that this craft was of extraterrestrial or inter-dimensional origin, but most likely both of these scenarios together. What you see here is an accurate scale model of a true alien spacecraft witnessed at first hand.

USAF REPORT 'FLYING TRIANGLES' IN 1954

With thanks to our colleague Daniel Wilson in Ohio, USA for this report.

Lowry AFB, Colorado, July 9, 1954, UFO report. Objects appeared to be triangular in shape

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1. At 1320 hours on 9 July 1954 this office received a telephonic communication from Captain GEORGE W. GERMAN, AO 671740, Operations Officer, Flight Service, Lowry Air Force Base, Colorado, advising that between 1300 and 1310 hours he had observed 5 or 7 objects flying at a very high altitude and rate of speed and that he did not believe the objects were conventional type aircraft.

2. Special Agent EDWARD L. RUSH and M. L. McNABB conducted interviews with personnel of the 5933rd Radar Bomb Squadron (Detachment 3), who advised that at about 1320 hours on 9 July a B-36 aircraft was in the vicinity of Lowry Air Force Base flying at an altitude of approximately 30,000 feet and was working a radar and radio jamming problem. All personnel interviewed advised that no unusual formations or objects had been sighted on the radar scopes at that time. However, the jamming devices being used by the B-36 aircraft were very effective.

3. Special Agents McNABB and Rush interviewed Captain GERMAN at approximately 1345 hours 9 July 1954 and obtained the following information. At approximately 1300 hours on 9 July 1954 Captain GERMAN was telephonically contacted by Mr. [REDACTED], Flight Dispatcher, United Air Lines, Stapleton Field, Denver, Colorado, who stated that he and Mr. [REDACTED], Flight Dispatcher, United Air Lines, had been observing several objects flying at a very high altitude and requested that [REDACTED] also make some observations. [REDACTED] immediately proceeded out of his office and from the ramp in front of Operations Building, observed 6 or 7 objects overhead which appeared to be approximately one half inch in diameter, 3 or 4 of which were in some semblance of formation and were moving in a Northeasterly direction above a cirrus

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cloud layer which at the time was estimated to be at 30,000 feet. The objects were visible for approximately a ten second period, and appeared to be traveling at an estimated rate of speed of 1500 miles per hour, were oscillating and also appeared to be descending.

4. At 1430 hours Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] were interviewed by Special Agent RUSH at Air Traffic Control Center, Stapleton Field, Denver, Colorado. [redacted] advised they had been watching a B-36 type aircraft making passes over the Denver area at what they judged to be 30,000 feet. The B-36 disappeared behind some clouds and in attempting to resight the B-36 observed 4 or 5 shining specks at what they believed to be approximately 50,000 feet. [redacted] both advised that the objects appeared to be triangular in shape and that they appeared to be capable of hovering in one spot for some period of time and then moving off at a normal rate of speed in a Northeasterly direction. The only thing unusual they observed about the objects were what appeared to be their ability to hover in one place for extended periods of time. [redacted] stated they observed the objects for approximately 35 minutes and then called the Flight Service Center at Lowry Air Force Base. Neither [redacted] observed any unusual rates of speed during their observation of these objects.

5. According to Captain GERMAN the objects were observed by himself and 1st Lt DONALD W. HOLLWAY, 21674A and Captain WILLIAM K. BYLE, AO 803089. Both BYLE and GERMAN are Senior Pilots and the civilians [redacted] have been Flight Dispatchers for United Air Lines for some period of time.

6. Information has reached this office to the effect that Operation CHECK POINT are having some maneuvers in this vicinity and that various air bases in this vicinity have either no knowledge or very limited knowledge of aircraft participating in the operation. At approximately 2000 hours on 9 July 1954 a local radio station advised during a news broadcast that Operation CHECK POINT was being held in this vicinity and that F-86 type aircraft was repelling the attack at exceptionally high altitude.

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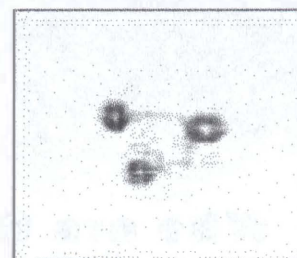
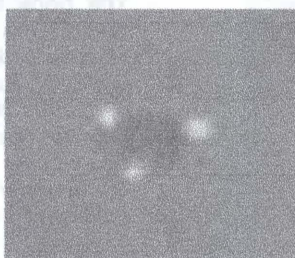
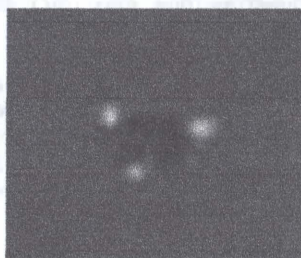
CALIFORNIAN FLYING TRIANGLE

HAYWARD -- It was 10 PM, on April 14, 2005, my wife was outside smoking a cigarette. I was looking at Jupiter when I saw five glowing circles that were underneath a triangle shaped object fly across Jupiter traveling north.

The glows were not lights like on an airplane but circle shapes that glowed real dim. Two were in front and two on either side. The glowing circles were in a chevron shape, but the whole craft was a triangle. It had no sound and flew across the sky in about 20 seconds, at least three times faster than an airplane. My wife is a computer programmer and I an animator; we are both intelligent well-educated people. Thanks to Peter Davenport Director, www.ufocenter.com

LOUISIANA FLYING TRIANGLE PHOTOGRAPH ANALYZED

WESTWEGO – Dr. Don Burleson writes, “I have analyzed the 13-year old boy’s photo that was taken at sunset on March 4, 2005.” Under image processing, what first gives the impression of being a dark object with three lights comes to resemble something else altogether; the first image here is just a crop of the original, the second is a treatment by increasing the gamma value, and the third is an edge find.



As you can see, there is room for doubt as to whether there is really anything solid in the middle of this configuration of lights; in some images it appears to be a trio of small, bright objects with nothing substantial connecting them-- or a connection, possibly, by some sort of force-field?

Thanks to Dr. Don Burleson New Mexico MUFON

UFO NEWS FROM WEST BENGAL, INDIA

The PRA has recently been contacted by **Debamalya Gupta**, a colleague in West Bengal, India. A keen UFO researcher and someone seeking new contacts worldwide.

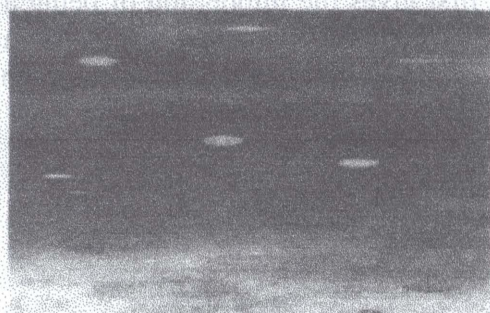
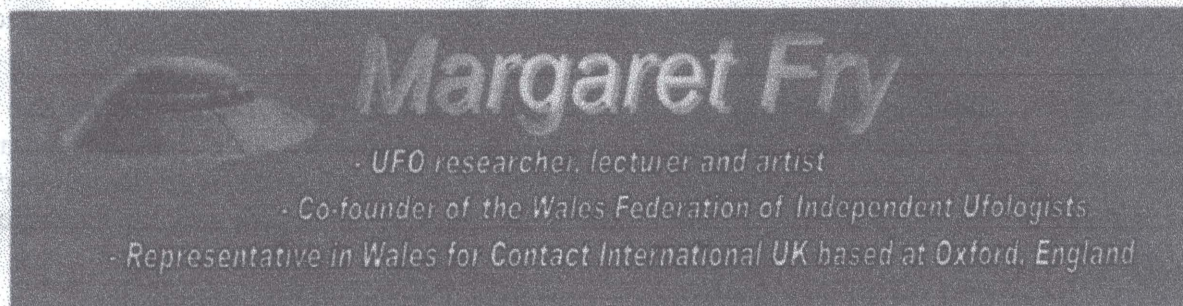
He has related the following account of UFO sightings that he witnessed when he was a youngster:-

In my childhood back in the 80's, my parents and I had the rare opportunity to witness two UFO events from our home in the countryside. We watched them from our home town of Santiniketan, West Bengal (famous for its university and for the great Indian noble laureate and economist Amartya Sen).

It was about 8-8.30 pm, I was preparing lessons with my home tutor when suddenly my mother, who was sitting on the balcony, called for us to come out and see something unusual that was in the eastern sky. We went out and were surprised to see a cigar shaped light, silver in colour, with bright yellowish twinkling lights all over its outer sides. It was flying upwards into the sky, with a jet-like light propelling it from the rear. We watched it for 5-10 minutes before it finally disappeared. It was not like any satellite or launching rocket and we checked the morning newspaper the following day but there was absolutely nothing mentioned.

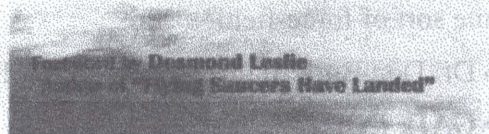
My second experience was to see a bright star-like light, similar to a normal star, but it was bouncing up and down all the time, like a particle in a simple harmonic motion as we read in physics. At the same time as it was bouncing up and down, it was moving from north to south.

It was these two incidents that developed my keen interest in extraterrestrials and UFO's. (I also became a devoted reader of Erich Von Damien books). Regards, Debamalya Gupta



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The book is about investigations into UFO alien abductions and paranormal events. On a sunny, hot summer's day in the 'Garden of England, Kent' the proof of extraterrestrial life came to Margaret and numerous other witnesses all over the district of North Kent in July 1955. In 1965 Margaret embarked on a one-woman investigation and research to prove that not only herself, but people the world over are having contact with extraterrestrial life.

The book is about Margaret's personal involvement in abduction cases, not re-hashed 3rd and 4th hand inaccurate stories that frequently go round the world by internet, and which most books on UFOs are based on.

In the early 1970s Margaret and a colleague in Kent, physiotherapist/professional hypnotist/airline pilot, Alan Hilton founded the first Victim Support Team for people who believed they had the experience of Alien abduction. She relates the earliest abduction case in the Llŷn Peninsular in North Wales in the 1870s. 100 years later Willie's gt.gt. nephew lost several hours of time after a UFO hovered over the pick-up lorry he was in. Does the UFO phenomena latch on to certain families for generations?

Who are these Alien beings? Where do they come from? Are they in our reality? Few people accept this can be a reality. For the victims it is a lonely, frightening experience that changes people forever. Margaret matter-of-factly relates numerous cases that pose all these questions. When you consider these incidents are taking place all over the world, you have to believe these improbable abductions are happening. Read this book and realise it could happen to you.

Margaret Fry is one of the few pioneers left in the British Ufology movement in the UK. The first British National Research Association BUFORA was founded in London in 1984; she became a member in 1985. Margaret was a Founder Member in 1967 of Contact International UK based at Oxford, England and Co-founder of the 1st National Fellowship in Wales in 1993.

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The nights become slightly longer after the summer solstice but the increase in the hours of darkness only becomes perceptible towards the end of this month. The delicate sliver-blue noctilucent clouds are still visible over the northern horizon at this time and are well worth staying up to observe. You will need a clear sky and a dark observing area away from artificial light. Early in the month is good for observation, as there is no moon and thus no moonlight.

The planet Venus is bright and visible until around 80 minutes after the sun has set. Mercury joins Venus early in July. The best time to spot Mercury is around the 9th. You will need an unobstructed view of the horizon, as Mercury is low in the north-eastern sky at evening twilight.

Mercury, Venus and a two days old crescent moon form a mystical grouping early on the evening of the 8th.

Jupiter is less favourable for viewing this month, setting by 11pm. A waxing crescent moon will be a couple of degrees south-east of Jupiter on the 13th. Saturn is lost from view but Mars is becoming more favourable and by mid-month, rises around midnight. The Earth is farthest from the Sun (aphelion) on the morning of July 5th. Full Moon occurs on the 24th.

After the Sun sets, when does twilight end and night begin? Night never arrives at all at high northern latitudes, above seventy-five degrees, in July. The northern polar region is bathed in perpetual daylight. However, further south, twilight depends not only on your latitude but also on which kind of twilight you mean. 'Civil' twilight ends when the Sun is six degrees below the true horizon. Under a clear sky this is when most outdoor activities need artificial lighting. Nautical twilight ends when the Sun descends to twelve degrees below the horizon. At this point, a sea horizon ceases to be visible enough for a sailor to use a sextant to take navigational sightings. Astronomical twilight ends when the Sun descends to eighteen degrees below the horizon. This is when the last trace of the Sun's afterglow disappears. In early July the Sun's afterglow is present throughout the night.

The stars on a dark summer night convey a sense of timelessness and we are caught up, feeling summer is endless, the peak of the year when little changes for weeks on end.

Astronomically time moves slowly, our solar system is situated within the outer regions of a spiral arm about twenty light years above the galactic equatorial plane and 28 000 light years from the galactic centre. Viewed from Earth the luminous band of the centre of the Milky Way (the galactic equator) spans the constellation of Sagittarius and touches both of its neighbour constellations Scorpius and Ophiuchus.

The Milky Way in July is an awesome sight to behold on a clear, dark night. Imagine travelling back to prehistoric times when our global population numbered under several millions and no sky pollution existed. What a sight our forbears saw, a giant ghostly cloud, whose power and enormity could barely be comprehended and whose distance unimaginable.

Enjoy Your Evening Sky!

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The new look website has been released, with lots of great new features including forums for you to discuss the latest edition of The Evening Sky, please visit the new website at <http://www.theeveningsky.co.uk> and take a look for yourself!

TALE ENDERS

SERPENT MOUND MYSTERY: In the last copy of the OVNI, I was most interested in the article on the **Cosmic Crash at Serpent Mound**, Ohio. Over the past two years there have been some crop circles that have been found there right across the road from the mound. These crop circles appear to be genuine. It is curious is that in some crop circles there are small particles (small spherical shaped objects) that test out as being meteoric in nature. *Daniel Wilson USA.*

WAKEFIELD LECTURE with Tim Good on Saturday the 22nd of October this year in Normanton ,Wakefield. The ticket prices are £12.50p . We have to make this a pre book all ticket lecture as there are only 200 seats For details e-mail backin47@blueyonder.co.uk or call 07904 905127.

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ANSONIA – The witness observed a row of lights hovering at a low altitude of about only 200 feet above the ground on May 5, 2005 at 8:30 PM. The witness pulled off the highway, and doubled back, as the object silently and slowly moved over the horizon. It did not make a sound. White lights were on each corner of the triangle. The lights pulsated slowly, and slightly. While crossing it's path, the middle light began to move. The witness discovered that object was far larger than helicopter dimensions.

Thanks to Peter Davenport, Director, www.ufocenter.com (Filers Files)

SALT LAKE CITY MYSTERY-- My friends and I were camping pretty deep into little Cottonwood Canyon on April 10, 2005, at 2:37 PM. We were laying down and thought we saw a bluish flash to the east without any sound. So we got up to take a look and we didn't go far, and in a clearing there was a dark mass floating in the air. It was more or less flat and it seemed round but its entire mass did not move in unison. It sort of rippled but not in any coherent pattern. On the bottom surface there was a constant activity of blue flashes freckled across the object. We all noticed the air felt very cold and moist and like static. Finally, some pieces fell off the object. They sprinkled off and shimmered as they fell to the ground. Then the object left slowly but the actual movement seemed imperceptible.

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NASA NEWS What appears to be shocking news of "unexpected and unusual" solar events such as the most recent event of January 20th of which has been announced by NASA as "The most intense burst of solar radiation in five decades accompanied a large solar flare on January 20, shaking space weather theory and highlighting the need for new forecasting techniques. This flare produced the largest solar radiation signal on the ground in nearly 50 years," said Dr. Richard Mewaldt of the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, a co-investigator on NASA's Advanced Composition Explorer (ACE) spacecraft. "But we were really surprised when we saw how fast the particles reached their peak intensity and arrived at Earth." Full Article: http://www.earthchangestv.com/secure/2005/article_8046.php

MARGARET FRY has kindly donated a copy of her latest book '**Who Are They**' to the PRA. This will be reviewed in the next OVNI.

NEXT PRA MEETING

Will be held at the Royal British Legion, Allenton, Derby, at 8pm on Tuesday 26 July 05.

A new video recently received from the USA will be shown.

David Marler speaking on 'Flying Triangles' at the OZARK CONFERENCE (April 2005)

A selection of UFO videos will be available, free to members,

plus a free (3 UFO Books) raffle, including Erich Von Daniken's 'The Return Of The Gods'

Non-members welcome: £1 on the night.

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